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Boston

My dear & revered friend:

The "Anti-Slavery Standard" of last week comes to me and after twice reading thy plain and exhaustive statement relative to the "Jackson Fund," I cannot wait another mail for sending thee my sincere sympathy and general satisfaction.

I think I can feel thy pulse. I know what this letter has caused, and cost thee. For one I will not delay my very heart's expression: I am glad thy letter has appeared. Thee has waited long & patiently and now I with thee, could tell some incidents of peculiar interest connected with the matter.

Well do I recollect dear James Motts expression in one of the meetings of the Executive Committee in this State when some feeling was expressed & a disposition manifested by some to carry it to the Supreme Court. He shrank from it, and said, do not say anything more about it. So did Lucretia, I was decided: Do not in the hour of triumph, when all should be thanksgiving & joy, sully our victory by a quarrel among those who have done the work.

To me the breach has been sad indeed. We so often find the

world unable to bear success

But now that thy letter has appeared and clears the skies, for many of us were in doubt, I have a secret hope that no one will answer it, except it may be in the kindest spirit, and if not to confirm, certainly not to contend & condemn. Oh! I do have a deep national, sectional feeling in this - As a mere child in the work I want the page of history in this Anti Slavery work free from selfishness, jealousy and vituperation - There is enough trouble in the world without our adding any - and if I dare, good friend, breathe a single suggestion, (and it comes right from my heart without consulting anyone) I would say, if this letter is published again, I would leave out anything that seems like a vindictive or personal spirit - I cannot help wishing thee had not written the four last lines in Specification No 7, especially the "self-inflation" &c - for however true it may be, it is not Garrison-like. Thee will excuse me for this - I know thee will - I simply could not help it.

Thy last letter to me spoke of our peace cause & other reforms. I read it in Washington tit was received with applause - Next May we shall hold a Peace Convention in New York city - say about the 15th & we must either have thee in person or a good letter - Father started for Boston yesterday - We are not very well at home - My son Willie seems dramatic - Best wishes for the health of thyself & household

and working like kindly sentinels over Freedom's vineyard, my dearest friend, Abroad & Home